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HELMS IS REPORTED ABOUT TO LEAVE CIA

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KEY BISCAYNE, Fla., Dec. 3 (UPI)—Richard Helms will soon leave his post as head of the Central Intelligence Agency, probably to accept another Government job, Administration sources said today. The sources declined to say what new job had been offered.

Mr. Helms, a C.I.A. employe since the agency was formed in 1947, was named director by President Johnson in 1966 and was retained in that post by President Nixon for four years.

James R. Schlesinger, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, was believed to be a candidate to succeed Mr. Helms. Mr. Schlesinger was a top official of the Office of Management and Budget before moving to the A.E.C.